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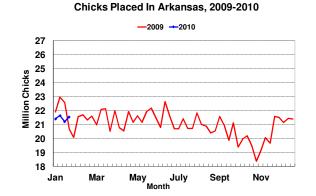
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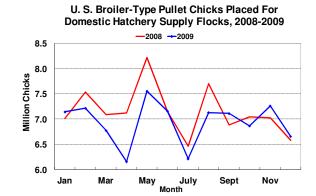
Arkansas Chick Placements Up 4 Percent from Last Year

Broiler-type chicks placed for meat production in Arkansas were 21.5 million during the week ending January 23, 2010. Placements were up 4 percent from the comparable week in 2009 and up 2 percent from the previous week.

Arkansas hatcheries set 24.1 million broiler-type eggs during the week ending January 23, 2010, down 2 percent from the same period last year but up 1 percent from the previous week.

Leading breeders in the **United States** placed 6.66 million **broiler-type pullet chicks** for future domestic hatchery supply flocks during December 2009, up 1 percent from December 2008.





Broiler Eggs Set and Chicks Placed in 19 Major States by Week, December 26, 2009 - January 23, 2010

State	Eggs Set Week Ending					Chicks Placed Week Ending				
		Thousand					Thousand			
Alabama	29,564 *	29,443 *	29,618	28,726 *	29,444	20,904	21,602	20,998	20,813 *	20,667
Arkansas	24,081	24,125	24,047	23,761	24,113	21,451	21,399	21,636	21,205	21,535
Delaware	3,438	3,292	3,243	3,241	3,010	4,618	4,216	5,262	4,558	4,521
Florida	1,296	1,293 *	1,185	1,378	1,378	1,294	1,003	984	968	962
Georgia	31,173	31,185	31,353	31,331	31,567	26,160	26,152	26,186	26,671	25,827
Kentucky	7,900 *	7,857 *	7,701	7,716 *	7,880	6,523	6,024	6,056	6,233 *	6,564
Louisiana	3,379	3,379	3,378	3,471	3,439	3,066	2,917	2,908	3,018	2,932
Maryland	8,963	8,926	8,803	8,712	8,872	5,338	6,510	4,993	6,189	5,926
Mississippi	18,735	18,687	18,566	18,838	18,727	16,031	16,123	16,308	16,002	16,016
N. Carolina	18,750	18,395 *	18,541	18,449	18,492	15,557	15,558	15,677	15,507 *	14,937
Oklahoma	7,051	7,298 *	7,100	6,766 *	7,166	3,865	4,808	4,095	4,332	5,442
Pennsylvania	3,740	3,785	3,903	3,799 *	3,609	3,006	3,144	3,088	3,088 *	3,084
S. Carolina	5,814	5,587 *	5,673	5,876	5,820	5,099	4,347	4,550	4,126	5,043
Texas	15,417	14,978	15,083	14,968	14,845	13,220	13,504	13,088	13,193	12,710
Virginia	6,224	6,217	6,225	6,124	6,152	5,459	4,605	4,092	4,987	5,032
CA,MO,TN & WV	18,110 *	18,163 *	17,687	18,079 *	18,403	15,894 *	17,366 *	16,892	16,353 *	14,911
19 State Total	203,635 *	202,610 *	202,106	201,235 *	202,917	167,485 *	169,278 *	166,813	167,243 *	166,109
Prev. Year Total	202,493	202,760	201,843	203,806	201,674	166,152	168,557	168,244	167,727	167,469
% of Prev. Year	101	100	100	99	101	101	100	99	100	99

^{*} Revised in current week.

Broiler-Type Eggs Set In 19 Selected States Up 1 Percent

Commercial hatcheries in the 19-State weekly program set 203 million eggs in incubators during the week ending January 23, 2010. This was up 1 percent from the eggs set the corresponding week a year earlier. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week was 83 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

Broiler Chicks Placed Down 1 Percent

Broiler growers in the 19-State weekly program placed 166 million chicks for meat production during the week ending January 23, 2010. Placements were down 1 percent from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from January 3, 2010 through January 23, 2010 were 500 million, down 1 percent from the same period a year earlier.